

I want to oppose the Consumer Bankers Association's petition to impose an "established business relationship" limitation on Indiana's Telephone Privacy law. It's bad enough that Indiana's consumers are inundated with a barrage of unsolicited credit card offers through the postal system, but to add back the telephone solicitation from which we have only recently gained respite will be an intolerable invasion of our privacy. About four or five years ago, my wife and I were forced to have our unlisted phone number changed to a new unlisted number just so we could eat dinner in peace. We still got calls through computerized dialing systems but the volume was manageable. Since signing on to both the Indiana and federal "Do-Not-Call" lists we finally have peace. Any attempt to diminish that peace of mind should be criminal, and under the current Indiana statute, is. We are shareholders and customers of one of the Consumer Bankers Association petitioners. A copy of this brief shall be forwarded to the Chairman of the Board of that institution with a statement to the effect that we will take our business elsewhere if they continue to support any attempt to weaken Indiana's Telephone Privacy law.

You may use my name when presenting commentary opposing 02-078. You may also contact me via email or one of the telephone numbers below.

Sincerely,

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